

The Rhode Island Fire Safety Code Board of Appeal & Review met at their headquarters located at 1 Regan Court, Varley Building #46, in Cranston, RI on Tuesday, June 24, 2008 at 1:00 P.M. Present were Chairman Coutu, Vice Chairman Newbrook and Commissioners Richard, Jackson, Preiss, Pearson, Jasparro, Dias and Walker. Also present were Executive Director Thomas Coffey and Deputy Director Carol Marsella. The following cases were heard.

APPEAL #060155: Mr. Jeremiah Adler, for the property located at 604 Putnam Pike, Smithfield. ADSFM James Waterman appeared for the Smithfield Fire Marshal's office. Vice Chairman Newbrook made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Walker, to allow the Applicant not to provide sprinkler coverage in this facility, provided there is no occupancy on the third floor. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #080219: Mr. Kevin Stacom, for the property located on Waite's Wharf in Newport. Interim Fire Marshal Wayne Clark appeared for the Newport Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Dias made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Richard and Vice Chairman Newbrook, to grant the Applicant's requested variances for this outside seating, provided that it remains an open-air assembly and is not covered with a tent or an awning with sides and that the cited gate is not locked shut when the outside bar is occupied. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #040482A: Barrington United Methodist Church, for the

property located at 230 Washington Road, Barrington. Chief Gerald Bessette appeared for the Barrington Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Pearson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Jasparro, to allow the Applicant not to treat the beaverboard on the ceiling in the sanctuary, provided that beam detection in that area is installed as part of the municipally connect fire alarm, required by December 31, 2010. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #060974: Mr. Alfred Almeida, for the property located at 65 Bay Spring Avenue, Barrington. Chief Gerald Bessette appeared for the Barrington Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Walker made a motion, seconded by Vice Chairman Newbrook, to grant the Applicant a time variance of 120 days in which to install a wire heat detection system in the interior corridors of this facility, at the direction and to the satisfaction of the Barrington Fire Marshal's office. Alternatively, the Applicant may return within thirty (30) days with another plan of action to present to the Board. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #050898: Mr. Donald G. Morash Jr., for the property located at 83-85 Earl Street, West Warwick. ADSFM Albert Heroux appeared for the West Warwick Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Pearson made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Richard, to grant a variance from the provisions of section 31.1.1.3(8) for the rear doors to the rear stairwells and to grant a time variance of 120 days from the date of the decision in which to install 3/8" solid core doors in the cited apartments, at the direction and to the satisfaction of the West

Warwick Fire Marshal's office. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #060063: The Phenix Sportsmen's Club, for the property located at 715 Main Street in West Warwick. ADSFM Albert Heroux appeared for the West Warwick Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Richard made a motion, seconded by Vice Chairman Newbrook and Commissioner Dias, to grant the following relief. A variance based on structural hardship was granted for items 1, 3, 5, 7 (as to the tread and riser measurements) and 13. The Applicant is granted a time variance of 120 days in which to correct any remaining deficiencies, at the direction and to the satisfaction of the West Warwick Fire Marshal's office pursuant to the direction given by the Board. The West Warwick Fire Marshal is granted the authority to extend the above deadlines for good faith shown by the Applicant. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #060093: Mr. Raymond Arruda, for the property located at 321 Main Street in Woonsocket. ADSFM David Beaubien appeared for the Woonsocket Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Pearson made a motion, seconded by Commissioners Jasparro and Richard, to grant the Applicant request for relief, based on the sprinkler coverage protecting this facility. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #060136: Mr. Chris Miller, for the property located at 157-161 Sixth Avenue, Woonsocket. ADSFM Thomas Papa appeared for the Woonsocket Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Richard made a

motion, seconded by Commissioners Jackson and Preiss, to grant the Applicant a variance to install a modified sprinkler system in this facility, at the direction and to the satisfaction of the Woonsocket Fire Marshal' office. The Applicant is directed to provide the Woonsocket Fire Marshal's office with plans for this system within thirty (30) days, and an additional 120 days from the approval of those plans for the installation of the system. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #060059: Mr. Robert Russo, for the property located at 519 Dyer Avenue, Cranston. ADSFM Glenn Bathgate appeared for the Cranston Fire Marshal's office. Vice Chairman Newbrook made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Dias, to grant the Applicant a time variance of sixty (60) days from the hearing date to present plans to the Cranston Fire Marshal's office for a local fire alarm for this facility, and an additional 120 days for the installation of the system. Alternatively, the Applicant may provide compliant separation in this facility in order that a local fire alarm system is not required. Such separation must be made within the above time frame. The Cranston Fire Marshal's office is authorized to extend the above time for good faith efforts being made by the Applicant. This file is to remain open until the corrections have been made. The motion was unanimous.

APPEAL #060065Z: Creative Center, for the property located at 717 Atwood Avenue, Cranston. Chief of Inspections William Howe and DSFM Kaitlyn Foley appeared for the State Fire Marshal's office. Commissioner Dias made a motion, seconded by Vice Chairman

Newbrook and Commissioner Walker, to grant a technical variance from the provisions of section 17.1.6 in order to allow the day care occupancy on two levels of this facility, without requiring sprinkler coverage. The Applicant is granted a time variance of 120 days in which to correct the size of the cited window for rescue in Toddler I room. This file is to remain open until all the corrections are made. The motion was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Marsella

Deputy Director